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A Message from Councilmember Malnar

Dear Sahuaro Residents,

This week in Council workshop we received an update on Heroes Regional Park at 83rd avenue and Maryland. There was discussion about the installation and operation of an archery field. The city received a grant to install the archery field and staff stated the operation of the field could be turned over to a private enterprise at no cost to the city. Staff also presented information regarding the rest of the park including a new Library. Consensus was given to continue moving the planning stage forward. The council will vote on these plans at a future council meeting. Council also gave consensus to have the council vote on moving future council workshops to the council chamber.

Enjoy your weekend and the Glendale Glitter & Glow Block Party on Saturday and all the activities at West Gate (see Below for details).

- Ray Malnar

Ribbon Cuttings

Legacy Charter School on January 14th at 2:00 PM at 13901 North 67th Avenue.

One Step Beyond- A Comprehensive Program for People with Developmental Disability.

Thursday, January 21, 2016 - Ribbon Cutting at 10:30 am .
7200 W. Bell Road, Building H, Glendale, AZ 85308.

Join One Step Beyond and celebrate with them as they continue to grow at the Grand Opening of their new location!

Desert Rose Steakhouse- A steakhouse with a great atmosphere, high quality food & locally sourced products whenever possible.

Thursday, January 21, 2016-Ribbon Cutting at 5:00 pm
6729 N. 57th Avenue, Glendale, AZ 85301

Join Desert Rose Steakhouse for a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony celebrating the opening of their steakhouse as well as Desert Rose Pizza & Gastropub, Desert Rose Cigar Lounge & Club, and Desert Rose Wedding & Events!

Announcements

Glendale Fire Department Offers Sand And Sand Bags-

The City of Glendale and the Glendale Fire Department have locations identified within the city where residents can obtain sand and sand bags at no cost.

Please be aware that supplies are limited and residents may notice a shortage of sand bags. The City of Glendale works diligently to keep supplies available however the demand has increased due to current weather conditions. You may need to purchase sandbags separately. Locations are as follows:

1. Bonsall Park NE Corner 67th/Bethany Home Rd.
 2. Old Fire Station #1 @55th Orangewood NE corner near racquetball courts
 3. Fire Station 153, Northside of community center @ 55th Redfield
- Residents are advised you must bring your own shovel.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - Day of Service: January 16, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Throughout his life, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. advocated peace, unity and service and was committed to creating change in his community. This is an annual event and community volunteers are needed to pick citrus at Sahuaro Ranch Park Historic Area for use in food boxes by the St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance. For more information, please contact Michelle Yates at 930-2663.

Street Dedication Of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. The City of Glendale invites you to attend the honorary street dedication of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard on Friday, January 15 at 11:00 a.m. The dedication will be held at the intersection of 95th and Maryland Avenues. Parking is available east of 95th Avenue and Maryland Avenue. Please follow directional signs. Please RSVP by January 11 to Cathy Foland at cfoland@glendaleaz.com or 623-930-2040.

Glendale Traffic Alert For College Football Playoff Game On January 11. College football fans and drivers in the West Valley are being advised of heavy traffic expected on the Loop 101 from Northern Avenue to Camelback Road during the day on Monday, Jan. 11, due to the College Football Playoff (CFP) game at University of Phoenix Stadium and the activities surrounding the game. Heavy traffic is also predicted on the surface streets in and around Glendale's Sports and Entertainment District. Fans should plan to arrive early.

Attending the game?

- Stadium gates open at 3:30 p.m.
- Kickoff for the game is 6:30 p.m. MST.
- Westgate Entertainment District parking lots open at 6:00 a.m., cash only: <http://www.westgateaz.com/visitorinfo/cfp/>
- Tanger Outlets parking lots open at 10 a.m.: <http://www.tangeroutlet.com/glendale>
- CFP pre-paid parking lots open at 10:30 a.m.
- CFP parking: <https://cfp.clickandpark.com/&www.collegefootballplayoff.com/transportation>
- CFP Fan Shuttle: [https://cnp.clickandpark.com/event/?search\[event_id\]=23372](https://cnp.clickandpark.com/event/?search[event_id]=23372)
- Valley Metro will offer enhanced bus services to the stadium on game day: <http://www.valleymetro.org/images/uploads/glendale-service.pdf>
- Tailgating is only allowed in CFP pre-paid parking lots, know tailgating policies before you go <http://www.collegefootballplayoff.com/university-of-phoenix-stadium#tailgating>

Are there any traffic restrictions to be aware of?

- Maryland Avenue between 93rd Avenue and 95th Avenue will be closed to all traffic except pedestrians and limited shuttle operations.
- 95th Avenue in front of the stadium will be closed to all traffic except pedestrians.

Other traffic tips drivers should know?

- Arrive early, plan ahead and follow the directions on the back of your parking pass, which should hang from your rear view mirror.
- Do not use your GPS for parking routes.
- To access cash parking lots, exit on Glendale Avenue and take either 95th or 93rd avenues.
- Follow all traffic signs. In some cases there are multiple turn lanes (dual rights or dual lefts) that will allow traffic to load and unload parking lots faster.

- Vehicles may be subject to search. Please plan accordingly.
- For up to date traffic information, visit www.az511.com or dial 511.
- Glendale provides real-time traffic information via Twitter - follow @GlendaleAZPD

For more information, visit www.glendalesgotgame.com or <http://www.collegefootballplayoff.com/>

Tis The Season To Be Green And Recycle-

Glendale residents are encouraged to recycle their live Christmas trees by dropping them off at the following sites. The "treecycling" sites will be open Saturday, Dec. 26 through Sunday, Jan. 10.

- Acoma Park: 53rd Ave. & Acoma Rd.
- Fire Station No. 156: 67th Ave. & Deer Valley Rd.
- Glendale Heroes Park: 83rd Ave. & Bethany Home Rd.
- Foothills Park: 57th Ave. & Union Hills Dr.
- Sahuaro Ranch Park: Southeast corner of 63rd Ave. & Mountain View Rd.
- O'Neil Park: 64th & Missouri avenues
- Rose Lane Park: 51st & Marlette avenues

Trees must be unbagged, and all decorations, tree stands and metal stakes must be removed. Trees collected at the recycling stations will be used for composting and mulch.

Another option for residents in single-family homes is putting the tree out on their monthly bulk trash collection.

In addition, did you know that household waste increases by 25% during the holidays? Be sure you know what you can and cannot recycle this holiday season.

Here are some important reminders:

Acceptable items for recycling:

- Empty Red/Yellow/Green/Clear plastic cups (#5) are all recyclable.
- Clean plastic deli and bakery containers (clamshell) are recyclable.
- All recycling items need to be clean, dry and empty (please empty bottles of soda and half used food containers before recycling).
- Recycling items should be placed loose in your recycling container. Do not bag these items.
- Large boxes or electronics that you would like to recycle that are too big for your bin can be taken to Glendale's public drop off at the landfill (11480 W. Glendale Ave., 623-930-4720).

Non-acceptable items: (please place these items in your trash container)

- Styrofoam, plastic bags, ceramics, plastic silverware and light strings/ light bulbs are NOT recyclable
- Food of any kind.
- Holiday trees - artificial or real are not accepted.
- Shiny foil or very dark wrapping paper.

- Remember to only place your recycling container out when at least half full.
- All trash must be bagged and tied before placing in your refuse container.
- Your guests have the best of intentions, but before they help you clean up, please make sure the items are deposited in the correct container.

Maricopa Association of Governments has created informative videos on holiday recycling. Check them out by clicking here.

For additional information on treecycling or holiday recycling, contact the Solid Waste Division at **623-930-2660** or visit **www.glendaleaz.com/sanitation**.

Glendale University Offers Behind-The-Scenes Look At City Government-

Glendale University 101, an 11-session program sponsored by Cox Communications, is accepting applications now through Friday, January 22, 2016. Classes which begin on Wednesday, February 3, 2016, offer a close-up, behind-the-scenes look at the inner workings of city government.

Glendale residents and businesses owners in the city can sign up for Glendale University (GU) to learn more about city government directly from the Mayor, Council Members, City Manager, and top city staff. The program's continued popularity is credited to the one-on-one interactions among attendees and the core curriculum that focuses on everything from the city courts to utilities.

"Glendale University is a unique opportunity to meet the city's decision makers and talk about everyone's role in our local democracy," said organizer Kathy Curley of Glendale's Community Services Department. In the 19 years since the program was started, more than 950 people have attended.

GU 101 classes are held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Wednesdays, beginning February 3, 2016 and running through April 13, 2016. The series kicks off with an opportunity to get to know your Mayor and Council Members. Subsequent sessions cover a variety of city services, including public safety, city courts, public works, community services, finance and budget, marketing, and much more. The classes, which are free, are limited in size to encourage interaction between attendees and the elected officials and city staff who teach each unit.

For more information, call the Special Events Hotline at **623-930-2299** or visit **www.glendaleaz.com/events**.

Glendale Mayor Announces Coordinated Public Safety Effort For 2016 College Football National Championship-

Glendale Mayor Jerry P. Weiers today announced that fans attending the 2016 College Football National Championship can expect a high level of cooperation and coordination to ensure public safety during a series of valley events, culminating with the game itself to be held at the University of Phoenix Stadium in Glendale on January 11, 2016.

Mayor Weiers was joined at today's news conference by representatives of local, state, and federal agencies, to present an overview of their combined efforts. For many weeks, the various agencies have joined together in Resource Working Groups (RWG), meeting with experts in fields that include cyber-crime, critical infrastructure protection, public health, intelligence gathering,

interoperability and transportation. Their singular focus: to provide the public with a safe, welcoming, and enjoyable experience at the College Football Playoff's ultimate event and surrounding activities.

"The city of Glendale has established itself as a premier sports destination for tourists from around the world, and we welcome these Division I teams, players and fans to our community with open arms and invite them to take in Westgate Entertainment District, Historic Downtown Glendale and all that the valley has to offer," Mayor Weiers stated. "Our number one priority is the safety of everyone coming to enjoy this national championship game, and we have an incredible team dedicated to those public safety measures -a team that has demonstrated time and time again what it takes to successfully host an event of this caliber. Our partners in Phoenix and across the Valley are united in this effort to provide a fan experience unlike any other."

The national championship game caps the College Football Playoff (CFP) and is the culmination of the 2015-16 bowl season. A committee of 13 athletic directors and other leaders select teams from the five major NCAA conferences to play in bracketed semi-finals. The top two finishers then compete for the national championship. Although Glendale has played host to two Super Bowls and two BCS (Bowl Championship Series) championships, this is the city's first CFP. The City of Phoenix will host a variety of signature fan events in the days leading up to the game including College Football Playoff Fan Central held at the Phoenix Convention Center Jan. 8 - 10, 2016.

For more information about the CFP, please visit www.collegefootballplayoff.com and www.visitglendale.com/gotgame.

To learn more about the City of Phoenix, please visit www.phoenix.gov.

For more information about the City of Glendale, please visit www.glendaleaz.com.

Glendale Transit Corridor Study-

Valley Metro will hold two public meetings on the West Phoenix/Central Glendale Transit Corridor Study. The purpose of the study is to identify what type of transit (light rail or bus rapid transit) and what route is best to connect downtown Glendale to the light rail system on 19th Ave. in Phoenix. At each meeting, Valley Metro staff will present an overview of the recommended route and transit type, and provide an opportunity for questions and comments. The same information will be presented at both meetings.

Tuesday, January 19, 2016

6 - 8 p.m. (presentation at 6:30 p.m.)

Washington Activity Center

Multipurpose Room

2240 W. Citrus Way, Phoenix 85019

Wednesday, January 20, 2016

6 - 8 p.m. (presentation at 6:30 p.m.)

Glendale Woman's Club

7032 N. 56th Ave., Glendale 85301

For more information, please contact Megan Casey, Community Outreach Coordinator, at 602.495.8274 or mcasey@valleymetro.org, or visit valleymetro.org/Glendale.

Glendale Events

Glendale Glitter & Glow Block Party On College Football Championship Weekend January 9-



The lights are going out in downtown Glendale, but not before one big blowout! Glendale Glitters holiday light display concludes with a rockin' block party, Glendale Glitter and Glow, on Jan. 9, from 4-10 p.m. with balloons, music and much more.

Take in the stunning 1.5 million lights along with more than 20 hot air balloons glowing brightly amidst the trees throughout 16 blocks of Historic Downtown Glendale. A highlight for visitors will be specially-shaped balloons, as well as mass glows, in which the balloon pilots will fire the balloons all at once to create an illuminating spectacle. The dazzling scene of vibrant glowing colors and twinkling lights, combined with musical performances and delicious food and beverages, will be a feast for the senses!

This year, the Glitter & Glow Block Party falls on the weekend prior to the College Football Playoff game taking place in Glendale at the University of Phoenix Stadium on Jan. 11, 2016. To welcome football fans, the area will be decorated with the two teams' colors and a variety of football and sports-themed games and inflatables will be offered.

One exciting highlight of the festival this year will be a tour stop from Les Paul's Big Sound Experience. In honor of what would be Les Paul's 100th birthday in 2015, the Les Paul Foundation is sharing his creativity, innovative spirit and love of sound in an intriguing mobile exhibit. Visitors will be able to immerse themselves in the recording wizardry of the father of modern music, listen to his music, record their own sounds and share with friends, take a photo with Les, see how the solid body electric guitar got its start and more. Admission to the exhibit is free, and will be offered during the hours of the event, 4-10 p.m.

Music lovers will of course love the offering of performances from a dozen local and regional performers, including classic rock, blues, country and bluegrass, indie rock, pop, funk and disco, 50s rock and roll, Latin rock as well as a DJ spinning kids' tunes. To top it off, a tribute band will be brought in for a special performance on the festival's featured stage.

Finally, visitors with young children or just the young at heart, may want to check out the carnival rides, inflatables or the petting zoo and pony rides. In addition, the animated movie "Up" will be showing at 6 and 8 p.m. in the Murphy Park amphitheater.

Admission is free and free parking shuttles are available from Glendale Community College, at 59th and Olive avenues. Shuttles pick up from the northeast parking lots of

the college, accessing from 59th Avenue and Vogel, and the last shuttle will leave downtown Glendale at 10:15. Event attendees will also have the option of paying for preferred parking in the two downtown garages, both of which are accessible from 59th Avenue and Glenn Drive.

Glendale Glitter & Glow is produced by Glendale's Office of Special Events, and sponsored by Blue Cross, Blue Shield of Arizona*, SRP, Valley Buick-GMC Dealers, the Arizona Republic, Monster Energy Drinks, Cerreta's, ABC-15, KOOL, KMLE, Live 101.5, Diamond Resorts, Glendale Community College, Camelback Ranch-Glendale and Sedona Pines.

WESTGATE WEEKENDER PLAYOFF FAN FEST

Come back to college for a weekend and enjoy a free three-day collegiate-themed experience.

Westgate is bringing you back to your glory days and inviting you to an unforgettable three-day CFP fan festival with ESPN, a marching band, a beer garden, life size drinking games, live music and more!

The Weekender kicks off just steps away from University of Phoenix Stadium on Saturday, January 9 from 1:30 - 5:30pm with the internationally known Red Bull MXT (military extreme truck), live DJ beats and a show stopping performance by Nashville recording artist Laura Walsh. Enjoy your favorite tunes while you challenge your friends to giant beer pong, giant Jenga, cornhole, bocce ball, cards and dice in an open-air beer garden. Then, keep the party hopp-ing at over 20 bars & restaurants until the Arizona Coyotes play the Nashville Predators at 7pm.

The Weekender carries on through Sunday, January 10 from 1:30 - 5:30pm with the Red Bull MXT DJ mixing beats and drum roll please... dueling pianos! After you wrap up games and sing along to Tiny Dancer in our outdoor beer garden, ESPN will be taking stage for a live studio analyst broadcast dedicated to Monday's Championship Game.

Plus, enjoy a free thrill-seeking kid's zone; complete with a 25-foot rock wall and 200-foot zip line experience on Saturday and Sunday in Fountain Park!

Come back to Westgate on Monday for the ultimate CFP game-day party. Drink beer, play pong, salute the days of college past with a 15-piece marching band and fill up your game-day cup with all that Westgate has to offer. If you have tickets to the game, you're about a field's length away from the stadium entrance. If you don't have tickets to the game, grab a drink and take a seat in the beer garden as ESPN streams the game live on our big screen!

Parking is free and open to the public on Saturday, January 9 and Sunday, January 10. Monday, January 11 CFP game day parking information.

Westgate Weekender Playoff Fan Fest Itinerary:

Saturday, January 9, 1:30pm - 5:30pm

Location: Beer Garden in WaterDance Plaza

Entertainment: Red Bull DJ + Laura Walsh live

Games: Giant beer pong, giant Jenga, cornhole, bocce ball, cards and dice, football

toss, custom backdrop photo booth and giveaways
Kid's Zone: 200-foot zip line and 25-foot rock climbing wall in Fountain Park
Gila River Arena event: Arizona Coyotes vs. Nashville Predators at 7pm

Sunday, January 10, 1:30pm - 5:30pm
Location: Beer Garden in WaterDance Plaza
Entertainment: Red Bull DJ + Dueling Pianos
Games: Giant beer pong, giant Jenga, cornhole, bocce ball, cards and dice, football
toss, custom backdrop photo booth and giveaways
Kid's Zone: 200-foot zip line and 25-foot rock climbing wall in Fountain Park
Tonight's event: ESPN Broadcast Live from 6 - 10pm in WaterDance Plaza

Monday, January 11, 2pm - 10pm
Location: Beer Garden in WaterDance Plaza
Entertainment: Red Bull DJ + The Instant Classics live + 15-piece marching band
Games: Giant beer pong, giant Jenga, cornhole, bocce ball, cards and dice, football
toss, custom backdrop photo booth and giveaways
Tonight's event: CFP Championship Game Viewing Party at 6:30pm in WaterDance Plaza

Service Spotlight

Some quick links to help our users during the holiday season:



[Water Services](#)

[Glendale Police Department](#)

[Glendale Fire Department](#)

[Join Nextdoor](#)- The Glendale Police Department is using Nextdoor to connect with residents to promote stronger and safer neighborhoods. This page is not monitored 24/7. For emergencies call 9-1-1.

As a reminder, on January 19th, the city will be hosting a reception to officially introduce me to the community. See the invitation below.

Welcome Reception for Councilmember Ray L. Malnar

You're Cordially Invited to Attend the Welcome Reception for

Councilmember
Ray L. Malnar
Sahuaro District

Tuesday, January 19, 2016 - 5 to 7p.m.
Council Chambers Lobby, 5850 West Glendale Avenue
Glendale, Arizona

RSVPs appreciated at www.glendaleaz.com/rsvp

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